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**FOR IMMEDIATE POSTING
PUBLIC NOTICE FOR COMMENT****Draft Amendment of the State of California's Consolidated Plan's
HOME Program Policy and Schedule**

The State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is soliciting public review and comment on a Draft Amendment of the FY 2003/04 Annual Action Plan of the State Consolidated Plan 2000-2005. The Draft Amendment affects only selected policy and the schedule of the State's Consolidated Plan's HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME).

- The HOME Program is formally noticing the recapture option will be used in its homeownership programs and projects; however, HCD's HOME Program reserves the right to utilize the resale option, at its sole discretion, for community land trust projects. HOME currently allows only the recapture option; however, for certain HOME eligible activities, specifically a community land trust, the recapture option is not a viable option. Therefore, for State Recipients utilizing this activity, the resale option may be used at the sole discretion of the State HOME Program. This policy was considered by the HOME Advisory Committee in May 2003.
- The next NOFA release will be delayed (from August 31, 2003) until November 15, 2003 and the Application Deadline (from October 30, 2003) to January 16, 2004.

The proposed amendments to the HOME Program FY 2003-04 Annual Plan of the 2000-2005 State Consolidated Plan are as follows:

- **Program Income**, Page 6, New Paragraphs 2 & 3 - The Final HOME Rule at 24 CFR 92.254 (5), requires that participating jurisdictions impose either resale or recapture requirements, at its option and to set forth the requirements in its consolidated plan. The HOME Program will utilize the recapture option in its homeownership programs and projects, but reserves the right to utilize the resale option, at its sole discretion, for community land trust projects by State Recipients.
- **HOME Program**, Page 7, Paragraph 1 – is modified to indicate the HOME Advisory Committee met in May 2003 to discuss the acceleration of the HOME funds and the proposed regulatory amendments.
- **Table 1: Timing of Allocation of Funds - Application Process, HOME**: Page 9 - reflects the proposed NOFA release date will be delayed (from August 31, 2003) until November 15, 2003 and Application Deadline (from October 30, 2003) to January 16, 2004, to accommodate acceleration of HOME funds and implementation of the proposed regulatory amendments.
- **Activities and Programs**: Page 11, Paragraph 3 - the HOME Program's selection of the recapture method required by the Final HOME Rule at 24 CFR 92.254 (5), is also identified in this section.

The public review period for the proposed amendment is 30 calendar days, and begins **July 29, 2003**. HCD must receive all comments by 5:00 pm on **August 27, 2003**.

This document is available for public review on HCD's web site (<http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/rep/fed/>); as of **July 29, 2003**, and in Sacramento at HCD's Housing Resource Center in Room 430; at planning departments of counties with at least one non-entitlement jurisdiction, and the following libraries:

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A limited number of copies of this document are also available to entities or individuals unable to access one of the above sources. Written comments can be submitted via facsimile (916-327-2643), electronic mail (cahouse@hcd.ca.gov), or mailed to the following address:

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In addition, a public hearing will be held at the following location:

<u>Sacramento</u>	
Date:	August 15, 2003 (Friday)
Location:	Dept. of Housing and Community Development 1800 3rd Street, Room 170
Time:	1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Phone:	(916) 445-4728

If you have any questions, would like addresses or phone numbers for the county planning departments, or are in need of translators or other special services, please contact HCD at (916) 445-4728.

This proposal has been determined to be EXEMPT from CEQA (Public Resources Code Section 21080.10(b)) and CATEGORICALLY EXCLUDED from NEPA (Title 24 Code of Federal Regulations 50.20(o)(2)).